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REMARKS

The claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned

"VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 3 has been amended as follows:

3. (Amended) A battery as defined in claim 1 [or-2], wherein a V-shaped receiving groove provided on the other side opposite to one side of the battery to be mounted in the video camera etc. is formed between a pair of protrusion parts protruded from the other side, and projections having a terminal for connection to another battery or another device capable of fitting in an equivalent dovetail joint manner on the top and projections of said protrusion parts, respectively, and another terminal for connection to another device is placed between theses projections.

New claim 4 has been added.

4. (New) A battery as defined in claim 2, wherein a V-shaped receiving groove provided on the other side opposite to one

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side of the battery to be mounted in the video camera etc. is formed between a pair of protrusion parts protruded from the other side, and projections having a terminal for connection to another battery or another device capable of fitting in an equivalent dovetail joint manner on the top and projections of said protrusion parts, respectively, and another terminal for connection to another device is placed between theses projections.